

United States Industrial Commission
The Textile Industry, November 5, 1954.

Representatives of all of the principal cotton
textiles, except R. J. Reynolds, met on November 5. A
list of those attending is attached.

The Chairman, Mr. Crowley, initiated discussion
by taking up the "Suggested Standards" which had been circu-
lated to the industry some weeks ago. However, before getting
started on that, one company after another pointed out that
the time was not right for the Commission to add its weight
to other problems confronting the industry. Many remarks said
that they were not in disagreement with the objectives of the
Commission but felt that if the Commission moved in the
direction indicated now it would be regarded as an act of
government in support of other current activities not helpful
to the industry. There then followed discussion of the "Sug-
gested Standards" on the basis (a) that it would be useful to
everybody in attendance to find out what the Commission was
thinking and (b) that by discussing its suggestions we were
not accepting the idea of a code but were accepting an op-
portunity to find out what the Commission at this time thinks.
The question of what should be done with the results of the
discussion is deferred. Suggestions in respect of the ideas
developed by discussion of the suggested standards are to be
passed by the various companies who attended to the Commission

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on account of. However, for the Commission will call attention
to this.

At the point in the discussion when the Commission
was very concerned they said that if nothing satisfactory was
achieved as they would have no alternative but to proceed with
cases (presumably against all the companies) which were already
pending.

There is attached the original suggested formula
and, for comparison, a rough draft of a provision which the
November 5 meeting worked on containing some changes that the
Commission representatives thought satisfactory. In general
these changes seem to be acceptable to most of the people
present.

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for the release of all records relating to
the case of the Commission on the part of
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